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SUBJECT: OPEC REACTIONS TO LIBYAN PARTICIPATION MEASURES

1. CONTACTED ON FIRST DAY AFTER PUBLICATION OF LIBYA'S 51 PERCENT TAKEOVER OF OCCIDENTAL, SEVERAL OPEC SECRETARIAT MEMBERS INDICATED THAT THIS WAS A "DISASTER" FOR THE ORGANIZATION. GENERALLY THEY FELT THAT THE RECENT NEGOTIATIONS FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE PERSIAN GULF WHICH CALLED FOR 25 PERCENT IMMEDIATELY AND 51 PERCENT BY 1983 WERE NOW COMPLETELY UPSET. WITHOUT GRADUAL FEATURE OF AGREEMENT ARRIVED AT WITH SEVERAL PERSIAN GULF PRODUCERS, SOME OPEC STAFF BELIEVE THE POTENTIAL FOR DOWNSTREAM PARTICIPATION WILL EVAPORATE.

2. DURING SUBSEQUENT PERSONAL DISCUSSIONS WITH SEVERAL SENIOR STAFF MEMBERS OF OPEC AND WITH SEC GEN ABDERRAHMANE HKENE, THESE OPEC VIEWS TOWARD LIBYAN ACTION CHANGED CONSIDERABLY. OPEC NOW REGARDS MATTER AS SOVEREIGN LIBYAN RIGHT TO ASSUME CONTROL OF ITS NATURAL RESOURCES.

3. WHILE SEC GEN AND STAFF CLAIM THAT OTHER OPEC MEMBERS DO NOT HAVE TO FOLLOW LIBYAN TAKEOVER PATTERN AND WILL DECIDE AMOUNT OF PARTICIPATION DESIRED, IT IS FELT THAT THERE WILL BE POPULAR PRESSURES TO FORCE OTHER OPEC MEMBERS TO EQUAL IF NOT SURPASS LIBYAN DEMANDS IN ONE WAY OR ANOTHER.

4. OPEC SECRETARIAT BELIEVES THAT AMAZING FLOOD OF OFFERS TO PURCHASE PARTICIPATION OIL AT RATES HIGHER THAN POSTED PRICES HAS BEEN IMPORTANT STIMULUS FOR LIBYAN DECISION AND WILL ALSO HAVE EFFECT ON PARTICIPATION DEMANDS IN IMMEDIATE FUTURE.

5. REPORT ON OPEC TALKS WITH STAFF DEL DEVID STAND OF SENATE INTERIOR COMMITTEE DEALING WITH THIS AND OTHER ITEMS BEING TRANSMITTED SEPARATELY. HUMES

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